

Wards Hill School
CE - 977
Near Warwick
Private

C. 1860

The single story three bay by one room rectangular frame^{structure} on
Ward's Hill Road is a typical form for county school houses from
the period. The school building closed its doors in 1916 and
like most others lent itself easily to extended use as a home.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

CE-977

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

File 1-133

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Ward's Hill Road School
AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Ward's Hill Road 1 mile east of intersection with Cecilton-Warwick Road
CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Warwick VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY
Cecil

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☐ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Austin J. DeCoster

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

DeCoster Egg Farms

CITY, TOWN

Millington

☒ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21651

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Clerk of the Circuit Court

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

CE-977

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

- | | |
|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED |

CHECK ONE

- ☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

- ☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)	
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paul Touart

ORGANIZATION

Cecil County Committee

DATE

10/16/81

STREET & NUMBER

Cecil County Courthouse

TELEPHONE

398-0200

CITY OR TOWN

Elkton

STATE

Maryland

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1ST DISTRICT

No. 5 - The Ward Hill school was a frame building on the south side of Ward's Hill road about 2.5 miles east of Cecilton just after crossing Duffy Creek. The lot for this school was deeded on February 5, 1859, by Arthur Johns (Liber WHR #2, folio 154).

Teachers at Ward's Hill were:

Mr. Weber (1870-1890)
 Isabelle R. Galbraith
 Edna McCoy
 Emma Johns
 Effie M. Husfelt
 Helen J. Wright

Ellen A. Price (1901)
 Helen Ellison
 M. Frances Griffith
 Reba M. Burris
 Grace E. Burris

The school was closed in 1916 and sold. It was converted into a dwelling by George E. Pierce.

NECK CECILTON, MD

Quar.

Creek

St Francis Xavier
Ch

Manlove

CHURCH

SANDY
BRANCH

Warwick

NECK

BM
77

BM
72

Gravel
Pit

WARDS

HILL

CE-977

ROAD

Ginns Corner



CF-977

WARD'S HILL ROAD SECTION

NORTH ELEVATION

NR WARWICK

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WARR'S HILL ROAD SCHOOL

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